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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 5559

FROM USDEL ANTARCTIC

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: XV, TGEN, EFIS, AR

SUBJECT: SECOND SPICAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING ON ANTARCTIC

MARINE LIVING RESOURCES - ARGENTINE PROPOSAL ON RESERVED ZONE

1. AS NOTED IN SEPTTEL REPORTING ON FIRST TWO DAYS OF  
BUENOS AIRES SESSION, ARGENTINA HAS PROPOSED THAT THE  
MARINE LIVING RESOURCES CONVENTION ESTABLISH A  
RESERVED ZONE AROUND ANTARCTICA IN WHICH NO COMMERCIAL  
ACTIVITIES WOULD TAKE PLACE. ARGENTINA IS PRESENTING  
IDEA AS AN ECOLOGICAL PRESERVE RESERVED FOR SCIENTIFIC  
INVESTIGATION IN WHICH PROVISIONS OF ANTARCTIC TREATY  
WOULD GOVERN. PROPOSAL OBVIOUSLY HAS A NUMBER OF  
POLITICAL AND LEGAL IMPLICATIONS, AND IN ADDITION  
MAY BE PREJUDICIAL TO ANY FUTURE HYDROCARBON REGIME,  
DEPENDING UPON HOW IT IS FORMULATED. SETTING THESE  
QUESTIONS ASIDE FOR THE MOMENT, DELEGATION WOULD BE  
INTERESTED IN OFFICE OF THE GEOGRAPHERS ASSESSMENT  
OF SUCH A RESERVE ZONE FROM RESOURCE AND GEOPOLITICAL  
POINT OF VIEW. ARGENTINA HAS PUBLICALLY PROPOSED  
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THAT THE WIDTH OF SUCH ZONE WOULD BE OUT TO THE  
1000 FATHOM ISOBAR. INFORMALLY, THEY HAD EARLIER  
INDICATED TO US DELEGATION THAT EITHER A DEPTH  
CRITERION (AT THIS TIME THEY MENTIONED THE 1000  
METER ISOBATH) OR A MILEAGE FIGURE--POSSIBLE 50 MILES  
--COULD ALSO MEET THEIR CONCERNS.

2. DELEGATION WOULD APPRECIATE GEOGRAPHERS THINKING  
ON THIS PROPOSAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BUT BEFORE  
10 AM LOCAL TIME FRIDAY, JULY 21.  
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